(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. AAI is in constant endeavour to operate and upgrade the airports depending upon the requirements of airlines/traffic.

Enquiry into helicopter accident in Saharanpur

3420. SHRI DATTA MEGHE : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether two Ministers of the Haryana Government were killed in a helicopter crash on 31st March, 2005 in Saharanpur district of Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government have instituted an enquiry into the helicopter crash;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Indian Air Force has offered its assistance in probing the helicopter crash; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Two Minister of Haryana Government received fatal injuries during accident to M/s India Fly Safe Aviation Ltd. EC-120B helicopter VT-VYJ near Sarsawa on 31.03.2005.

(c) and (d) The accident is under investigation by Inspector of accidents under Rule 71 of Aircraft Rule, 1937.

(e) and (f) Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) has not received any such offer from Air Force.

Cargo handled by Chennai Airport

3421. SHRI R. SHUNMUGASUNDARAM: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of increase in export cargo from Anna International Air Terminal, Chennai in the year 2005-06;

(b) the details of international freight airlines which are carrying cargo from Chennai alongwith the cities connected by them; and

(c) the plans for expanding the nearby non-metro airports in order to decongest the Chennai Airport?